Adjournment motion re:—

(1) *Interference with the rights of personal and property of the public.*

President.—There are two adjournment motions. The first in order is that of Dr. A. R. Menon which refers to "the recent unauthorised interference with the rights of person and property of the public, on the part of the Government servants and other high-handed actions that caused great trouble, inconvenience, annoyance and injury to them by forcing them to vacate their residences, to close down their premises and stopping their business and interfering with their daily avocations in diverse ways."

There is no necessity to consider this as the Member has withdrawn the same. Permission is given to withdraw the motion.

The motion was withdrawn with leave.

(2) *A statement made in the paper.*

President.—The next one stands in the name of Mr. K. T. Mathew and it has reference to

"The most weighty and significant statement that 'as material prosperity advances the development of administration may not be permitted to lag behind'."

Does it refer to a matter of urgent public importance? I mean, what is the definite issue raised in this? Some definite issue must be raised.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Immediate steps should be taken to see that the administration does not lag behind the material prosperity of the country.

President.—You say this is a matter of urgent public importance. The development of administration should not be permitted to lag behind.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—If the adjournment motion is carried, it would mean that the Government should take the necessary steps so that the administration does not lag behind the material prosperity of the country.

President.—Further this is a statement which appeared in the Banquet speech made by His Excellency the Viceroy. I do not know whether it is within the province of this Council to speak on it.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—It is only in support of the statement I wish to speak.

President.—I want to know whether such things can be permitted.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—No reference to His Excellency the Viceroy will be made in the course of the discussion.

President.—You have put it in inverted commas. That shows that somebody has made that statement. Who is it that has made this statement?

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